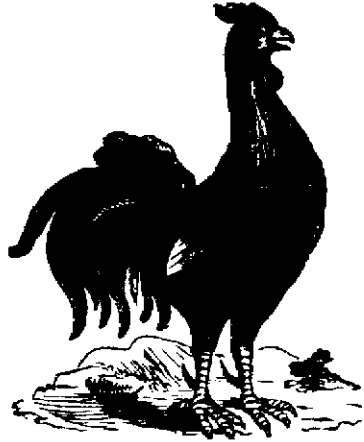


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Feb. 1881. LAWYER.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

ESTATE OF THOMAS STANFORD, DECEASED.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to all persons having claims and demands against the estate of Thomas Stanford, deceased, to present the same for adjudication and settlement at a regular term of the county court of DeKalb county, to be held at the court house in the city of Decatur, on the third Monday of March, A. D. 1881, before the first day of said term.

Decatur, Ill., Feb. 2, 1881.

W. J. MYERS, Executor.

Why They Called Him Philopena Patterson

"A what?" said one of the habitués of Phil McGovern's saloon the other night, waking up just as old Captain Scudder stopped in the middle of one of his yams to empty his schooner.

"Why, an Irish cannibal," rejoined the captain. "Yes, gentlemen, I repeat it. While lounging at the Shark Islands, about 300 miles south of the Fiji, on my last cruise but one, I came across an Irish cannibal. His name was Mike McGinnis Patterson. He'd been there about ten years when I saw him, and was one of the pleasantest men I ever met. He weighed about 250 pounds, and if it hadn't been for his teeth being filed down to a point he would have looked like an alderman. Natives were terrible fond of him, too. Most popular man in the place. You see, the shiftless islanders had a habit, whenever they made a killing of some hostile tribe, or caught a supply of missionaries, of cooking the whole lot—cramping the entire gang down at one meal. Instead of this, Patterson would always save enough for seed, as it were. He built a sort of corral, in which he'd keep a few prisoners of both sexes, and thereby had a nice fat juvenile or two on hand, ready to broil in case company should drop in unexpected like. Patterson told me that once they came very near getting out of the choicer cuts of human being entirely. Their stock had dwindled down, in consequence of an extra number of picnics and parties given that season, until there was nothing left out at grass but an old missionary and his wife. The king was about to receive some visitors from a neighboring island, and he insisted on having the Rev. Mr. Zollieoller—that was the missionary's name—baked with potatoes under him and Mrs. Z. stewed with mushrooms somehow, but Patterson objected. He made a thrilling speech to the cabinet, and pointed out that not only were the Z's frightfully tough, but that no Caucasian ship might touch there for years, and that meanwhile it would not do to exterminate the breed entirely. 'Rather let us control our epicurean longings,' said Patterson to the tribe, 'and wait in the blissful hope that at some not distant day the hearts of our esteemed reserves may be gladdened by the advent of a sunny haired darling—some blue-eyed brother from cherub land.'"

"And did they wait?" asked the barkeeper, who was wrapping up the neck of a broken decanter, from which he intended to have a new -olitaire breastpin cut.

"Yes, he switched them off somehow. They concluded to give the Zollieollers a chance, and, sure enough, inside of a year Mrs. Z. had twins."

"Twins?"

"Yes, sir, twins. They ate 'em the next Thanksgiving day, Patterson said, roast, with oysters, and lemons in their mouths. The king was so perfectly delighted that he had taken P.'s advice that they called him Philopena Patterson—twins, you see—ever since. Queer sort of idea, wasn't it?"

But as the entire audience had rushed out to see a dog fight across the street, the captain worked off a pewter half on the beer jerker and drifted out also.

FACTS THAT WE KNOW.

If you are suffering with a severe cough, cold, asthma, bronchitis, consumption, loss of voice, tickling in the throat, or any affection of the throat or lungs, we know that Dr. King's New Discovery will give you immediate relief. We know of hundreds of cases it has completely cured and that where all other medicines have failed. No other remedy can show half as many permanent cures. Now to give you satisfactory proof that King's New Discovery will cure you of Asthma, Bronchitis, Hay Fever, Consumption, severe Coughs and Colds, Hoarseness, or any Throat or Lung disease, if you will call at Hubbard & Swearingen's drug store, you can get a trial bottle free of cost, or a regular size bottle for \$1.

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Decatur, Ill., Feb. 2, 1881.

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SEEK those lovely decorations and tea sets, at E. D. BARTMOORE.

COUNCIL meeting tonight. KITH flying time will be 7:30.

"Across the Continent" BAIRDA-BIRAC is a Program means the odds and ends of the world.

AT 12:30 to day the meeting colder in Chicago and falling.

THE infant child of 11 months to-day. The remains of the child.

The regular meeting of the county board of supervisors of the court house this afternoon at 1 o'clock, Chairman Robert

SPLENDID carpets, low prices, at Abel & Locke before purchasing elsewhere.

THE remains of Mrs. E. near Oreada this morning to St. Louis to morrow forenoon.

THE weather on Sunday fully pleasant overcast contrast to the howling blizzard a week before.

CALL for Schroeder's cigars.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce J. H. H. YOUNG, Esq., as a candidate for Constable at the ensuing April election.

CITY DEPARTMENT.

See those lovely decorated china dinner and tea sets, at E. D. BATHOLMEW & Co's.

Council meeting to-night.

Kite flying time will soon be here.

"Across the Continent," this evening.

BUNCA-BRAC is a French word, and means the odds and ends of curiosities.

At 12:30 to-day the weather was growing colder in Chicago and more snow was falling.

The infant child of Edward Flynn died to-day. The remains will be sent to Springfield to-morrow for burial.

The regular meeting of the Macon county board of supervisors convened at the court house this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, Chairman Roberts presiding.

SPLENDID carpets, at rock-bottom prices, at Abel & Locke's. See them before purchasing elsewhere.

The remains of Mrs. Douglas, who died near Orona this morning, will be taken to St. Louis to-morrow for interment.

The weather on Sunday was delightfully pleasant overhead—a striking contrast to the howling blizzard that reigned a week before.

CALL for Schroeder's boss Bohemian cigars.

Decatur will be in style. Mayor Wagner and his new cabinet will be inaugurated one evening this week.

The child of Jacob S. Miller, residing in the extreme northeast part of the city, died this morning early. The remains will be taken to the country to-morrow for burial.

EXTRA fine perfumery at Walters & Tyler's popular drug store.

WANTED—Two good dining room girls, at Priest's Hotel.

The receipts for the Sara B. performance at Springfield, Friday night, footed up something less than \$1800—not such a big roll after all. Sara played in Milwaukee Saturday night.

LOVELY lambrequins and charmingly beautiful curtain goods at Abel & Locke's.

For the very latest sheet music call at C. B. Prescott's, in opera block.

SEE our Corsets and Hosiery.

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NEBRASKA Fair, who failed to materialize in Decatur, previous to the city election, has been heard from at last. He is now at Lincoln, Ill., making things lively for the champions of the no-license crowd.

YOUNG BROS., the Water street grocers, have a splendid display of choice fruits and sea-sable vegetables on sale every day.

WM. KERNAN, the commission merchant, has removed his office, from opera block to a pleasant room over Peckel's, Burrows & Co's Bank entrance from Water street.

CHOICE poultry, fine hams, for sale, orders filled at Freeman's food and shoe store, No. 4 Merchants street.

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The March number of the Western Agriculturalist appears a very handsome engraving of H. Worth & Sons' mammoth clock tower establishment, located in this city, together with a short descriptive article.

NEW YORK Saddle Rock Oysters—Big, Fat Fellers, at Milwaukee's.

5-2d

In past years we have had occasion to refer to the fine cattle bred and fed by Mr. W. A. Vanleer, of Friends Creek township; but this year Mr. V. goes a notch higher. He has sold to Strever & Helmick, of Argentina, 56 head of magnificent cattle, averaging 1900 pounds per head, and each worth \$100. Twenty-nine head of the cattle were shipped to Chicago to-day.

J. H. KERN, Agent for S. T. Taylor's Imported Patterns.

The Arena Record came to us last Saturday enlarged to a six-column 8 page newspaper, and greatly improved in appearance. J. M. Gravelle, the editor, made a good hit when he made the change—one that cannot fail to please his patrons.

SEE our Lace, Embroideries and Richings.

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PRINCEWELL, the grocer, is in business at No. 45, opera block. Give him a call.

March 4-43

H. RICHARDSON, Sec. and Fox Agency, Indian Territory, says—"The 'Only Lung Pad' has restored me to health, and I shall be glad to recommend it to any one."—See advertisement.

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CHARLES HARTMAN, Toledo, Ohio, says—"I know it cured me, and I hope others similarly troubled with pain in the chest may be helped by the 'Only Lung Pad' as I have."—See advertisement.

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IMMENSE bargains in books, picture frames, etc., damaged by water, at

7-d&w

J. M. SPOCKEY & Co's.

The books, picture frames, etc., damaged by water from a leaky roof, are now offered at great bargains for a few days.

J. M. SPOCKEY & Co

5-d&w

Don't trifle with a severe cough or cold. Procure in time, if you wish to save doctor bills, a bottle of Dr. Marshall's Lung Syrup. Price only 25 cents; large size 50 cents. Sold by all druggists.

WANTED—10 pairs of good bloody boots, weight from 1100 to 1300 pounds.

E. B. Pratt, 27 North Church street, Decatur.

March 1-4&w

The snow blockade on the Chicago Division of the Wabash, St. Louis & Pacific railway has been raised, and now trains are running regularly trying their level best to make up for lost time. Since last Thursday morning all trains on that division were abandoned on account of the great banks of snow that were heaped upon the rails and in the cuts near Chicago, and consequently no Chicago morning papers were received in Decatur since the evening of the second inst. until soon after 5 o'clock last Sunday evening, when two Wabash trains over the Chicago division arrived here, and with them came a supply of delayed Chicago papers, dated March 3d, 4th and 5th. A number of enterprising newboys were on hand at the Union depot and got supplied with copies of the Times, Tribune and Inter-Ocean which they sold about the streets until a late hour last night. The resident news-dealers got their bundles of Chicago dailies this morning and have stacks of back numbers for sale. Their loss by the non-arrival of the Chicago trains and papers is considerable. It will take them nearly six months and big sales to recover their lost profits in cents.

C. G. BRADSHAW, quoted criminal lawyer of Bloomington, on invitation, delivered a masterly temperance address at the in remembrance of Sunday afternoon before a very large audience. He spoke for nearly one hour and thirty minutes. He took strong prohibition grounds, and not a few contented that the speech was the best argument against the liquor traffic that has lately been delivered in Decatur. Mr. Bradshaw was one of the counsel for the defense in the Rande case at Galesburg, and is associated with Hon. A. B. Bunn, of this city, in several criminal cases now pending in neighboring counties.

MARSA NEWS, 4th. The tea party at Major Emery's last night was attended by over seventy guests; three spacious rooms being well filled by as merry a company as Maros has seen in a long time. An elegant supper was served about nine o'clock by polite and attentive waiters. The reputation of Major Emery and wife for hearty hospitality and good cheer was fully sustained on this occasion. At a late hour the guests reluctantly took their departure and stepped out again into the driving snow, feeling that they had been richly repaid for having faced the inclement elements that evening.

The Decatur Young Men's Christian Association is now a permanent institution, and has been incorporated under the laws of the state. The incorporators are E. P. Morehouse, J. P. Eckels, I. J. Davis, George I. Harry and J. N. Wilkinson. The Y. M. C. A. is now in shape to sue and be sued, and will have a greater influence at home and abroad.

A MAN named O'Hare, who was a member of the Illinois legislature ten years ago, shot and killed a Chinaman at Paris, Ill., on Saturday afternoon. The Mongolian had been robbed of \$300, and he charged O'Hare with the crime; but the prisoner was discharged from custody by a justice of the peace. A quarrel ended in the shooting of the Chinaman. The murderer is under arrest.

Law HOUCK, the gambler, who used to walk the streets of Decatur in days gone by, has been arrested and jailed at Galesburg, Texas, charged with the murder of a man in Ohio in 1878. Officers from Ohio have gone to Texas after Houck, with a requisition from Governor Foster.

Two disgraceful drunken rows occurred on Sunday in the neighborhood of Webster's beer garden and the house of ill-fame south of the city. A couple of fellows got severely beaten, but no arrests have been made, we are unable to give names.

"Tax Incarnation of Living Power" will be the subject of a discourse to be delivered by Rev. F. W. Taylor, of Danville, at St. John's church, this city, to-morrow evening. All are invited to be present.

A lively Play To-Night.

Oliver D. Byron and his company began an engagement at the Academy of Music last evening and played to a packed house. The play was "Across the Continent," which had its last representations here four years ago. Some additions have been made in the play, and a number of specialties are introduced. In the second act, the "Across the Continent" is substantially the same mixed, varied and lively compound of sensation as we have always known it to be.

The above celebrated company has arrived in the city, and will appear at the opera house to-night. Be present.

A Great Attraction.

On Monday evening, March 14, the Emma Donald Grand Concert Company will appear at the opera house in this city. This is one of the most expensive concert companies ever organized in the United States, comprising the following celebrated artists: Madame Emma Donald, Prima Donna Soprano; her first appearance since her return from Italy; Mr. J. Levy, the Cornet Emperor of the world, the man who has met all competitors in all lands, and is the master cornetist of the world; Madame Charlotte Bohrer, the celebrated European Harp Soloist; Mr. Charles Bonney, Tenor from the Crystal Palace Concerts, London; Mr. Eliot Green, Musical Director and accompanist. The sale of seats will open on Friday morning, March 11, at Curtis & Co's.

The latest imported patterns at J. H. Kern's dress-making parlors.

March 7-4&w

Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the 1st M. E. church will meet at the house of Dr. Davies, No. 44 South Main street, on to-morrow (Tuesday) evening. Let every one interested in the cause be present if possible.

By order of the PRESIDENT.

Block Post Still Ahead.

Delivered at \$1.00 per ton, by N. E. Adams. Office, No. 45, Opera Block.

March 3-4&w

SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICES.

Rev. M. W. Everhart, of Mattoon, delivered two logical doctrinal discourses at the 1st M. E. church to splendid congregations. His subject at the morning service was "Christian Character." He also delivered a short talk to the children at the Sabbath school. There were 85 little folks in the infant class room, which is in charge of Mr. Henderson, who was assisted by seven lady teachers, around each of whom gathered a bevy of children who were deeply interested in the lesson.

There was a very large and appreciative congregation assembled at the Church of God last evening, and listened to a very able discourse delivered by the Rev. D. S. Weigle, of Troy Grove, this state. He is a young man, a most excellent speaker, and bids fair to become one of the leading ministers of the Church of God in the West.

Elder John W. Tyler was greeted by two fair congregations at the Christian church on Sunday last. He delivered two fine sermons, which we hear very highly spoken of to-day.

"What Shall I Do to Be Saved," was the subject of Rev. W. H. Prentiss's sermon at the Presbyterian church on Sunday morning, before a large congregation. At night the subject of his discourse was the "Union of Christians with Christ."

Rev. W. H. Musgrove preached to two good congregations at Stapp's Chapel. The subjects of the sermons were "Noah in the Ark," and "What Shall It Profit a Man if he Gain the Whole World and Lose His Own Soul."

Rev. J. C. Bonham, of Missouri, occupied the pulpit at the Baptist church morning and evening. He was greeted by two very large congregations, all the seats being occupied by those who used to hear sermons from his lips in years gone by, and by many who had never heard him preach before. The subject of two of the sermons was "Practical Christianity." Both were plain practical talks, and were delivered in a forcible manner. Rev. Bonham had not preached anywhere before yesterday since October last.

There was the usual large audience at the opera house last evening. All the seats on the lower floor were occupied, and the gallery was well-filled. The subject of Rev. T. T. Kendrick's lecture was "The Responsibility of Young Men and Women." A choir, composed of four male voices, with Prof. Clark as leader, rendered several selections, with orchestral accompaniment by Prof. Goodman's string band. "Young Business Men" will be the subject of next Sunday night's lecture.

Local Military Inspection.

There was quite an unusual stir among the local military to-day. This afternoon Major J. W. Vance, of Paris, the division inspector for the second brigade, 5th Regiment, Illinois National Guard, arrived in the city, and at one p. m. he visited the armory of the Decatur Rifles, Co. K., and at 2 p. m. he paid a visit to the armory of the Decatur Guards, Co. H. He inspected both companies, and spoke words of praise and encouragement to the volunteer soldiers that were duly appreciated by moderate applause.

Annual inspection day is always an important event in the history of a military organization, and it is the ambition of each company to be at its best when the inspector comes. The boys this afternoon turned out in goodly numbers and did themselves and our city great credit. There were 41 members of the Decatur Rifles in ranks, including the officers; and 31 members of the Decatur Guards, including the officers, answered to the call of their names. Major Vance will inspect Co. B. at Taylor's to-night.

Good News for Methodists.

The following statement taken from the columns of the Bloomington Pantagraph of the 3rd instant, will be of special interest to Christian people in this community. Decatur's contribution to the fund amounted to nearly \$300.

The Wesleyan Board of Trustees held a meeting yesterday afternoon at the office of Mr. H. G. Reeves, Secretary of the board, and paid off its mortgage debt of \$37,000 due Gilbert & G. of Connecticut. Fifteen thousand dollars was paid in cash, and a loan negotiated with New York City capitalists through Mr. Henry Capen for \$20,000, payable in quarterly installments, in two, three, four and five years. The new loan bears six per cent. interest. The saving in interest is \$1,150, payable annually, and the new loan \$1,200, an apparent annual saving of \$1,050, but in reality a saving of the whole amount of interest, which is equalled by the interest on unpaid subscriptions. There is \$22,000 in unpaid subscriptions to the debt fund, payable in one, two, three and four years, most of which draws 8 per cent. interest, and this interest will be paid off the interest on the new loan. The pledges will mature so as to pay both interest and principal as fast as due. The management of the Wesleyan College have done a great work with the help of generous friends in thus placing the institution on a solid basis.

Hosiery.

Corsets, Muslin Underwear, Embroideries, Handkerchiefs, Laces, Richings, Table Linen, Crash, Napkins, Towels, Circulars, and Fancy Goods and Notions. First class goods, new and fresh almost daily. Our prices will be found the lowest and our goods in every department second to none in the market. We solicit an inspection.

CHEAP STORE,

Big 18, Merchant st., old square.

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Respectful Notice.

There will be election of officers and directors of the Decatur Greenwood Cemetery Association, held at the county clerk's office in Decatur on March 18, 1881, between the hours of 2 and 6 o'clock p. m.

R. R. MONTGOMERY, Secretary.

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Come in and take a look at our Breach and Muzzle Loaders, 10 and 12 pounders; prices below competition.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

Floury, the cutter, has arrived, and will open his establishment this week.

Maros News: Miss Hattie Bury, of Decatur, is visiting friends in Maros. Miss Nellie Large, who has been visiting friends at Memphis, Tenn., since December last, has returned to her home in this city.

J. W. Cokenower and Anna Keeder, Maria Sturges and Della Rogers, all teachers in the Sullivan public schools, are visiting among the Decatur schools. They are registered at Priest's Hotel.

Justice F. L. Wood, accompanied by his son John, departed this morning for a trip through Texas. The "Squire" goes with the hope that the trip will benefit his health.

Supervisor W. A. Vanleer, of Friends Creek township, gave us a call to-day. He is very much pleased with Garfield's cabinet. Mr. MacVagh, the new attorney general, is a native of Chester county, Penn., and is a personal friend of Mr. V., who is also a native of Chester county.

Dr. J. S. Hand, formerly in business in Decatur, now the proprietor of a book-store at Clinton, has gone into the home show business. He has leased the Clinton opera house for a term of years and will give a series of entertainments. The first performance will occur on the 10th inst., when the Rival Grand Concert Company will be the attraction.

William Dodson, who 25 years ago entered the employ of the Illinois Central Railroad Company as baggage master at Decatur, on the first day of the present month retired from that position. Before tendering his resignation, Mr. Dodson and his assistant, Mr. Baker, were compelled to be present at 32 passenger trains daily, 12 of which passed over the Central road and 20 over the Wabash, and on an average they handled about 600 pieces of baggage daily. Mr. Dodson and his assistant are now working for the Wabash company, and both have all they can attend to and do justice to the travelers. Mr. Swick is in charge of the Central work here.

ELDER Jackson was favored in receiving over \$41, through the large-heartedness of Mr. John Ratney, who canvassed a large circle of kind friends of Fairview and Forsyth, over three-fourths of whom claim no relationship with any existing religious body. Religiously considered, a good-hearted outsider is in better condition than any close-fisted church member. A man's charity may be the fac simile of his coffin—only large enough to hold himself.

Uncle Tom's Cabin.

The Academy of Music was crowded last night to see Uncle Tom's Cabin. In fact, a large number being unable to get seats, were turned away from the door greatly to their disappointment. The audience, as stated, was large, and was also a very appreciative one. Every good point in the drama was heartily approved of, and the comicallies of "Marks the Lawyer," and "Poppy," were laughed at to the fullest extent. The management, as promised, introduced the bloodhounds and a real live donkey, and the latter made lots of fun for the audience.—Star City Journal.

See the above attraction at the opera house next Wednesday evening. Admission, 25 and 35 cents.

Pratworthy Pupils.

Names of pupils attending my school, at Malone school house, Dist. No. 5, Township 17, who have neither been absent nor tardy during the month of February, '81: Mary Rainey, Lida McKinley, Eddie McKinley, Allie Ayers, Frank Cooper and Ryland Rainey. Not tardy: Emma Snyder, Samuel Klore, Emma Malone, Nettie Chew, Ida Klore, Belle Malone, Tillie Muller, Etta Hilvety, Hannah Muller, Jennie Muller, Elsie Chew, Peter Muller, Mollie Ayers, Mary Stout, Emma Stout, Ephraim Malone, Will Rainey, Frank McKinley, Fannie McKinley, Hattie Malone, Katie Malone and Sidney Malone.

J. J. GARVER, Teacher.

Names of pupils that have not been absent during the month of February, at attending school at Cross Roads, Dist. No. 3, Township 16: Thos. W. Smith, Frank Bair, Charles Smith, Mathena Jacobs, John Ward, Mary Moore, Hattie Jacobs, Mattie Smith, Taylor Carter, Hugh Olor, Maggie Durand, Perry Olor and Harvey Moore. Not tardy: Frank Bair, Willis Bair, Mathena Jacobs, Mary E. Moore, Amos Ward, Carrie Henry, Emma Etherton, Sutter Phillips, Ida Rose, August Nebo, Charles Nebo, Oscar Williams, Laura Etherton, John Bair, Susan Wray, Jas. Williams, Wm. Ward, John Wray, Oliver Phillips, Sophia Wise, Harvey Moore, Alvin Moore, Perry Moore, John Good, Francis Moore.

T. W. JACOBS, Teacher.

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We show a handsome line of Circulars, Dolmans, Cloaks, Children's Cloaks, and Knit and Crochet Goods, which we offer at a sacrifice.

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Five women to canvyse hams, at 4-45

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Oh what a glorious piece then, that Adam was Adamant.

But though by his false step, we were doomed, to life of endless toil,

One who endures it, can get, to cure Rheumatism Electric Oil.

For sale by Dr. A. J. Stoner.

MILAN'S brand is always fresh and pure and sweet.

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ECHOES.

There are but few voices in the world, but many echoes.

There are few "ifs" and "buts" in the world that are better for

Billions upon Billions of Sick Heads than Spring Biscuits.

Prices: \$1.00, 50 cents, and trial bottles 10c.

March 1.

DR. GREEN'S OXYGENATED BITTERS.

Are a cheap and simple remedy for Dyspepsia and Biliaryness in all their worst forms. It is a well-known preparation, and has been a cure for thousands of sufferers in all parts of the world as a Standard and Reliable Remedy.

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EDUCATIONAL.

[All matter intended for this column should be sent John Trainer or Samuel McBride, Decatur, or Miss Maggie Patterson, Macon.]

OUR SCHOOLS—EXISTING EVILS.

One, among the great number of common evils found in our schools—country schools—is the want of any well defined system. We have no system of "keeping accounts," i. e., no system of recording the work of the school in such a manner as to make our records show just what and how much our pupils are doing to the incoming teacher. Our records of school work should be just as systematic as that of one of our great business houses. Our books should show just what advancement our pupils have made; i. e., when the new proprietor takes hold of the helm, they should show just what gains have been made, and just what have failed in the great business of getting an education. In no single instance have we found a book kept in such a manner as to show the new "foreman" the exact standing of each pupil under his care. May the day soon come when we may have a systematic way of keeping school records. We believe that a system of keeping these records can be inaugurated and put into good working order within a twelve-month.

A common want of a uniformity of text books is another very serious drawback to the successful working of our schools. In many instances this evil, very perceptibly cripples and hinders any attempt to classify our pupils. Teachers are working to promote the best interests of our common schools, and failing to secure any enthusiasm, either from pupils or parents, teach a term or two, become disgusted with this state of lethargy and want of system, leave the schools for other more congenial employment, just as they begin to understand how to make the best use of time, under such embarrassing circumstances. Many of our pupils (I believe that I may safely say one-fourth) come from homes of tenants who move from district to district, year after year. Since we have no uniformity of text this necessitates the buying of new books at each removal. This is a burden which few can afford to bear; and as a result many of our brightest pupils are kept out of our schools at an early age. We should have a uniformity of books throughout the state, or at least in a county. If our wise legislators cannot solve the problem, a little enthusiasm on the part of our taxpayers will soon settle the question. A "Course of Study" strictly adhered to will soon eradicate all the superfluous texts from our county. Let us look at this a moment. Suppose a pupil has books uniform with those of the majority of the others. We work along in the best possible manner with the idea of a promotion before the pupil until we reach this point. When a single promotion is made the pupil has no longer any absolute need of his old books and as others do he buys the same author as the majority of the school. Thus the old author is disposed of and the pupil relieved of his embarrassment.

Another evil which is universal without a single exception in this county, is the lamentable fact that our pupils are leaving our schools just at the age when they should not out for two or three years active school room work and home study. Our boys and girls are scattering themselves that they have a good common school education, when the reality is, that they only have a smattering of a few of the branches; not even a good knowledge of the three R's. Having no incentive to induce a healthful emulation between pupils, other than those offered by the live teacher, our schools fail to attract the ever active youthful mind and its possessor goes out to fight the battle of life with no weapon of defense and progression, other than those afforded by his very ignorance. Our common schools are for the common people. Our people pay their taxes without a murmur, but do not get value received in return for their prompt payment. We pay out money enough to educate every boy and girl thoroughly, so far as the contemplation of the law is concerned. Are we doing it? Certainly not, if our pupils are leaving the schools with only a smattering of these branches. That education is a successful one which puts the pupil on his feet with such a thorough and logical knowledge of the rudiments of the branches as that he is induced by the beauties of the stepping stones, and the love of the beautiful, to go on and on with that eager desire for knowledge which characterizes the true man and woman. Shall we enter heartily into a plan, or system which shall fit our pupils for entering any high school? Certainly we shall not plod along for all time as we are doing now. We ought to make strides that would astonish the world, if we only had a vision of common school work which could be called a system.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

The Closing Quotations at New York & Railroad Commission Rooms at 1 p. m. To-day.

CHICAGO, March 7.

Wheat—38 1/2; March 39 1/4 April 38 1/2 May.

Corn—37 1/2; March 38 1/4 April 37 1/2 May.

Oats—29 1/2; March 29 1/4 April 28 1/2 May.

Pork—\$11.65 March \$11.70 April \$11.85 May.

Lard—\$9.95; March \$10.10 April \$10.25 May.

Foreign grain market easier and quiet. Provisions steady. The feeling at Chicago is easier and cheerful all around.

UNION STOCK YARDS.

CHICAGO, March 7.

Hogs—Estimated receipts 8,000; cattle 150.

Slized hogs \$4.90 to \$5.30; Light \$5.50 to \$6.35; heavy, \$5.90 to \$6.

TOLEDO, March 7.

Wheat—\$1.05 1/4; March 1.07 1/2 April \$1.09 1/2 May.

Corn—Easier. 43 bid March 44 April 44 1/2 bid May.

Mrs. W. M. PALMER, 140 Morgan St., Buffalo, N. Y., writes: My child was taken Feb. 1st with Croup in its severest form and Doctor Thomas' Electric Oil being the only remedy I had, I began giving it according to directions and found it gave immediate relief. I gave three (3) doses and the child raved with the remainder of the night. I have used it in my family for some time with complete success.

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If you are weak, or languid, use Frazier's Bitters.

If your flesh is flabby and your complexion sallow, use Frazier's Bitters.

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